

R.I.T.
Weights and Measures (Ireland) Act (1860)
Amendment Bill.

ARRANGEMENT OF CLAUSES.

Preamble recites 23 & 24 Vict. c. 119.

Commencement of Act; Sect. 1.

Short Title; 2.

Certain Sections of recited Act repealed; 3.

This Act incorporated with recited Act; 4.

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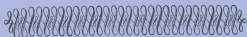
Inspector-General to appoint One Officer in each County or Borough to have Custody of Imperial Standards, who shall also stamp Sub-Standards; 6.

Inspector-General to provide One Set of Copies of Imperial Standards for each County or Borough, and also as many Sub-Standards as may be necessary; 7.

Ex-officio Inspectors of Weights and Measures may enter Shops, &c; 8.

Inspector-General to ascertain Sums chargeable to each County, and certify the same to the Grand Jury; 9.

Inspector-General to ascertain Sums chargeable to each Borough and certify the same to the Town Clerk; 10.



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Amend the "The Weights and Measures (Ireland) Act, 1860."

WHEREAS an Act was passed in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Years of the Reign of Her Majesty, intituled "An Act to amend the Law relating to Weights and Measures in Ireland:" And whereas it is expedient that the said Act should be amended in the Manner herein-after mentioned: Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, as follows:

Preamble.

23 & 24 Vict.
c. 118.

1. This Act shall commence and take effect on the *First Day of January One thousand eight hundred and sixty-three.*

Commence-
ment of Act.

2. This Act may for all Purposes be cited as "The Weights and Measures (Ireland) Amendment Act, 1862."

Short Title.

3. The Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, Ninth, Eleventh, Twelfth, Thirteenth, and Fourteenth Sections of the said recited Act (except so much of the said Fourth Section as repeals the Eighteenth Section of "The Summary Jurisdiction (Ireland) Act, 1851,") shall be and are hereby repealed; Provided always, that, notwithstanding such

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Repeal

2 *Weights and Measures (Ireland) Act (1860) Amendment.*

Repeal of the said Eleventh and Twelfth Sections, all such Expenses as are mentioned in the said Sections, respectively, which shall have been incurred, and shall not have been paid before the *Commencement of this Act*, shall be presented, raised, and levied in the Manner directed by the said Sections respectively.

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This Act incorporated with revised Act.

4. This Act shall be deemed to be incorporated with the said recited Act, and shall be as if the said recited Act (except such Parts thereof as have been repealed or amended by this Act) and this Act were One Act.

Certain Head and other Constables to be ex officio Inspectors of Weights and Measures.

5. From and after the *Commencement of this Act*, such Head or other Constables only in each Petty Sessions District as shall be selected under this Act by the Inspector General of Constabulary in Ireland, with the Approval of the Lord Lieutenant, shall be ex officio Inspectors of Weights and Measures within such District, and shall possess and exercise all the Powers and Authorities, and be subject to the like Penalties for any Neglect or Offence in the Discharge of such Duties, which any Inspector of Weights and Measures heretofore possessed or exercised or had been liable to under and by virtue of the Act of the Fifth and Sixth Years of King William the Fourth, Chapter Sixty-three, or any other Act now in force, and shall perform such Duties, under the Direction of the Justices at Petty Sessions, without Fee or Reward, and notwithstanding any Manorial Jurisdiction or Claim of Jurisdiction within such District.

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Inspector General to appoint One Officer in each County or Borough to have Custody of Imperial Standards, who shall also stamp Sub-Standards.

6. The Inspector General of Constabulary shall, with the Approval of the Lord Lieutenant, also appoint some Sub-Inspector of Constabulary in every County or Borough in Ireland to have the Charge of such Copy or Copies of the Imperial Standard Weights and Measures as shall have been provided for such County or Borough under the Provisions of the said first-recited Act, or may be so provided under this Act; and such Sub-Inspector shall duly stamp from Time to Time such Sub-Standard Weights and Measures as may be transmitted to him for such Purpose; and any Inspector of Weights and Measures in any such County or Borough in whose Custody any Copy or Copies of the Imperial Standard Weights and Measures shall have been deposited, under the Provisions of the said first-recited Act, shall, within *One Calendar Month* after the Commencement of this Act, transmit the same to the Sub-Inspector appointed to have the Custody of the same, under the Provisions of this Act, subject to a Penalty for Neglect or Refusal not exceeding *Ten Pounds*.

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Inspector General to provide One Set of Copies

7. It shall be lawful for the Inspector General of Constabulary and he is hereby required to provide One complete Set of Copies of the Imperial Standard Weights and Measures for each such County or Borough

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of Imperial Standards for each County or Borough, and also as many Sub-Standards as may be necessary.

Borough respectively, where the same has not been already provided, and to have the same from Time to Time duly compared and re-verified in the Manner required by the Fifteenth Section of the said first-recited Act, and also to provide for each such County or Borough
5 respectively as many Copies in Iron or other sufficient Material of the County Copies of the Imperial Standard Weights and Measures, and such accurate Beams and Scales as such Inspector General shall (with the Consent of the Lord Lieutenant) specify, by Writing under his Hand, to be necessary for such County or Borough respectively;
10 and such Inspector General may direct that such Copies shall be duly stamped by the Sub-Inspector of Constabulary in whose Custody any Copy or Copies of the Imperial Standard Weights and Measures shall have been placed, as herein-before mentioned, and the said last-mentioned Copies shall be called "The Sub-Standard Weights and
15 Measures;" and such Inspector General shall also provide such good and sufficient Stamps for stamping or sealing Weights and Measures used or to be used in such County or Borough respectively as he shall, subject to the Consent herein-before mentioned, consider to be necessary for such Purpose: Provided always, that not more than One
20 Set of "The Sub-Standard Weights and Measures," and One Set of accurate Beams and Scales, shall be provided for each Petty Sessions District in any County, and not more than Two such Sets shall be provided for any Borough.

8. It shall be lawful for every ex-officio Inspector of Weights and
25 Measures, in addition to the Powers given to such Inspectors by the said first-recited Act, at all reasonable Times to enter into any Shop, Store, Warehouse, Yard, or Place within his Jurisdiction where Goods shall be exposed and kept for Sale, and there to inspect all Beams, Scales, Balances, and Weights and Measures, in the Possession
30 of any Person selling, offering, or exposing for Sale any Goods; and if upon such Inspection or Examination any such Beams, Scales, or Balances, or Weights or Measures, shall be found light or unjust, or otherwise contrary to the Provisions of the said Act of the Fifth and Sixth Years of King William the Fourth or this Act, or if any
35 Fraud shall be wilfully committed in the using thereof, the same shall be liable to be seized and forfeited, and the Person or Persons using or having in his or her Possession any such false or unjust Beams, Scales, or Balances, or light or unjust Weights or Measures, shall be liable to any Penalty not exceeding Five Pounds as shall be
40 adjudged by any Justice or Justices before whom any such Conviction shall take place.

Ex-officio Inspector of Weights and Measures may enter Shops, &c.

9. The Inspector General of Constabulary shall, in sufficient Time before each Assizes, ascertain the Amount of all Expenses
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which may have been incurred in carrying the Provisions of the said first-recited Act or this Act into effect in each such County or any Part thereof, and shall make out a Certificate thereof under his Hand, and transmit the same, when approved and certified by the Chief or Under Secretary of the Lord Lieutenant, to the Secretary of the Grand Jury for such County, Twelve Days at the least before such Assizes, who shall lay the same before the Grand Jury; and thereupon it shall be lawful for such Grand Jury and they are hereby required to make a Presentment for the Amount stated in such Certificate, or in any previous Certificate the Amount whereof shall not have been already presented, to be raised off such County in the same Manner as any Presentment may by Law be now raised therefrom; and it shall not be lawful for the Court at any such Assizes to fiat any Presentment for raising any other Money, except in the Case of any Presentment for raising Money made imperative by Law, until such Presentment for such Expenses be first made and allowed; and whenever the Amount stated in such Certificate shall be levied, the same shall be paid into the Hands of the Governor and Company of the Bank of Ireland, and shall be placed to "The Account of the Public Monies of the Receiver for the Constabulary Force in Ireland," in the Books of the said Governor and Company, to the Credit of such Receiver; and it shall be lawful for the said Receiver to draw out of the said Bank from Time to Time such Sums of Money as may be required for carrying into effect the Purposes of the said first-recited Act or this Act: Provided always, that every such Draft shall be countersigned by the Inspector General of Constabulary.

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10. The Inspector General of Constabulary shall in like Manner ascertain the Amount of all Expenses which may have been incurred in carrying the Provisions of the said first-recited Act or this Act into effect in any Borough in every Half Year after the Commencement of this Act, and shall make out a Certificate thereof under his Hand, and transmit the same, when approved and certified, by the Chief or Under Secretary of the Lord Lieutenant, to the Town Clerk or other Officer of such Borough, who shall lay the same before the Town Council, and thereupon it shall be lawful for such Town Council and they are hereby required to make, assess, and levy such Rates as may be necessary for defraying the Amount of such Expenses; and such Rates shall be raised and levied in such Manner as any other Rates are authorized to be raised and levied within such Borough by any Act or Acts in force therein; and it shall not be lawful for such Town Council to raise and levy any other Money, under the Provisions of the said Acts or any of them, except in the Case of any Presentment for raising Money made imperative by Law, until such Money

Money for such Expenses be first raised and levied; and whenever the Amount stated in such Certificate shall be raised and levied, the same shall be paid into the Hands of the Governor and Company of the Bank of Ireland, and shall be placed to the Account of the
5 Public Monies of the Receiver for the Constabulary Force in Ireland in the Books of the said Governor and Company, to the Credit of such Receiver: Provided always, that in any Borough in which no Rate is levied, and which Borough is liable to the Payment of County Cess, the Expenses incurred under the said recited Act or
10 this Act shall be defrayed by the County in which the said Borough or the greater Part thereof is situate.

Weights and Measures (Ireland) Act (1860) Amendment.

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To amend "The Weights and Measures (Ireland) Act, 1860."

*(Proposed and brought in by
Sir Robert Peel and Sir George Grey.)*

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